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In re Application of:

Yasuo Yamao, et al.

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Irvine, California 92614

REQUEST FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant requests a three-month extension of time from January 24, 2002, to and including April 24, 2002, to respond to the Final Office Action of October 24, 2001. Our check for \$920.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for such an extension of time. Please charge any additional fees to our deposit account No. 16-2462. One copy of this letter is enclosed for such purpose.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on April 23, 2002.

By: Marc Fregoso

Signature

Date: April 23, 2002

Respectfully submitted,

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